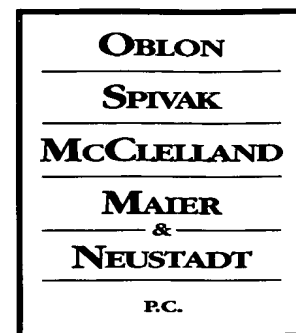




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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

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Respectfully submitted,

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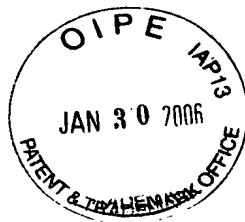

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Responsive to the Notice of Allowance dated December 15, 2005, Applicants ask that the Examiner consider the following Remarks, which begin on page 2 of this paper, in view of the Reasons for Allowance made on page 2 of the December 12, 2005 Notice of Allowability.